RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT TO CHRIS BATTAGLIA OF BATTAGLIA ASSOCIATES LLC, 490 RIDGEFIELD TERRACE, FAIRVIEW, NEW JERSEY 07022 FOR PAYROLL PROCESSING SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,600 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2022 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2022.

WHEREAS, Township Administrator, Michael Pappas of the Township of Bridgewater has determined that there exists a need to provide the following professional services for the Township: Payroll Processing services; and

WHEREAS, Township Administrator, Michael Pappas recommends Chris Battaglia, of Battaglia Associates LLC be awarded a professional services contract at a rate of \$5,200.00 per month for a total amount not to exceed \$15,600; and

WHEREAS, such award of contract shall be made as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of this contract is from January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022; and Chris Battaglia of Battaglia Associates LLC has submitted a proposal indicating that he will provide professional payroll services to the Township in accordance with the monetary compensation described hereinabove; and

WHEREAS, Chris Battaglia of Battaglia Associates LLC has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Battaglia Associates has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the name of Filipe Pedroso, Allen Kurdyla, Michael Kirsh, Howard Norgalis, and/or Timothy Ring members of the Bridgewater Township Council, in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Chris Battaglia of Battaglia Associates LLC from making any reportable contributions, contrary to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, through the term of the contract with the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a certification affirming the availability of funds in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.1 et seq. has been provided by Joseph Sarno of Holman Frenia Allison, P.C, Chief Financial Officer, and is <u>attached</u> hereto and made a part hereof, indicating that the appropriation for the within expenditure is to be funded from the 2022 Budget Current Account; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contract for "Professional Services," without competitive bids and the contract itself, must be available for public inspection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset and State of New Jersey that it hereby authorizes Rose Witt, Qualified Purchasing Agent to enter into a contract with Chris Battaglia as described hereinabove.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value Certification be placed on file with this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because these services are rendered or performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a notice of this action shall be printed once in the official Township Newspaper, the Courier News.

Introduced	Seconded	Council	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	✓	Kirsh	✓			
		Kurdyla	✓			
		Norgalis	✓			
√		Ring	✓			
		Pedroso	✓			

Adopted: December 20, 2021